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ALMA

Mr. Rebhahn (Ore.) is the new beadle; and Mr. Seaver (Ore.), the sub-beadle.

Mr. Edw. Doherty (Ore.) was called to Oakland, when his mother had both legs broken in an auto accident.

Fr. Suver gave a talk on his Pacific experiences.

After being refused by laundries in Santa Cruz, Santa Clara and San Jose, Fr. Guenther got a place in Oakland to take care of the wash.

Jan. 3. Br. Armstrong returned from O'Connor Sanitarium, where he had been rushed on Dec. 22.

Ad Grad points are being drawn.

Br. Wallace has been appointed Chef de Salad.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

So many veterans are applying that the authorities plan to defer work on the downtown college, and develop Del Rey instead. If permission can be obtained, two dormitories (one-story buildings) will be put up, east of the Arts Building, so as to accommodate about 200 students. Future developments include the completion of the gymnasium and the improvement of the auditorium.

Fr. Hancock has finished his special studies, and begins the new term as a regular teacher at Loyola.

LOYOLA HIGH

During the Christmas Holidays, Fr. Duce and the High School Principals met at Loyola High.

Jan. 15. At the presentation of the football awards, four Loyola players received sweaters and gold footballs for making "The Tidings' All-Catholic Team of the Year." Desmond's presented the footballs; "The Tidings" and the K. of C. donated the sweaters and other trophies to Loyola's championship varsity and B teams. Al Pollard, a junior, was chosen "The Player of the Year" for the Southern California C.I.F.

The Athletic Committee of the Dads' Club will sponsor a softball tournament in May for the Grammar Schools.

The Henry Welch Guild will work to provide the school with a swimming pool.

Jan. 28. Second Semester begins.

Fr. Francis Corkery was a visitor at the High School.

LOS GATOS

Work has begun on permanent and temporary seating accommodations for the ballfield. Redwood will be used almost entirely. The Juniors will attend to the construction.

Storms were again troublesome, washing out part of the road behind the house, and depositing silt on the cloister walk.

This year the olives were not sold "on the trees." The Novices will help pick them.

Mr. T. O'Connor of Alma gave the Juniors two lectures on Grecian and Gothic art.

Fr. O'Mara spoke of his experiences during his thirty months with our forces in Europe. Fr. Wilfred Crowley gave a talk on Teresa Neumann.

Thus far for the European Jesuit Relief, the Novitiate has sent 4000 lbs. of foodstuffs. An additional 2000 lbs. await shipment. The Novices wrapped another 5000 lbs. for Fr. Hanlon.

The Novitiate has been designated as "The Used Clothing" clearing house for the Province. To date 27 large boxes each weighing 110 lbs., are being prepared. More will be filled as additional garments are received from the various houses of the Province for shipment to Europe.

SAN FRANCISCO

At the request of Rev. Fr. Provincial, Fr. Cody is collecting data of every kind for a biography of Fr. Gleeson. All are urged to give and procure all possible help for him.

Provincial Visitation, Dec. 13-28.

Law School Registration.

Day Division	88
Evening	45

133

67 are veterans.

Advanced ROTC will be reactivated in the Spring Semester. Authorization has been received for 125 Coast Artillery and 150 Air Force Cadets for commissions.

Additions to University Faculty: Frs. C. Kavanagh, McGrorey, Chas. Walsh, Mr. James Gill from the High School. One Ph.D. from Chicago U.; two M.B.A.'s from Harvard School of Business. Two candidates for Ph.D. from California, one from Stanford.

Fr. Peter Dunne has been elected Second Vice-President of the American Catholic Historical Association.

An informal dinner was given Father President at the Pacific Union Club by Howard Finn and Farnham Griffiths, local attorneys. Among the guests were Governor Warren, Mayor Lapham, and Dr. Tressider, President of Stanford.

Extensive rearrangement of the University Library has resulted in more shelf space and closed stacks.

Lawrence Clarke, U.S.F. alumnus, has been appointed Librarian for the City and County of San Francisco.

Garrett McErney, former U.S.F. student and Chairman of the Executive Board of the Alumni Association, has been made President of the Board of Education of San Francisco.

Fr. Tichenor has been made High School Principal.

The first Missa Recitata of the High School on the First Friday was an excellent success.

Mr. James Gill will be replaced in the High School by Bill Golden, U.S.F. alumnus.

The second clerestory window, St. John the Evangelist, donated by many friends in memory of Fr. Ward, was installed before Christmas.

Fr. Charles Walsh is Spiritual Father of the Scholastics.

Jan. 11. Fr. O'Mara arrived.

Jan. 16. Fr. Louis O'Callaghan (Ore.), Naval Chaplain, arrived en route to a Pacific assignment.

SANTA CLARA

Spring Semester Enrollment	
Arts & Sciences	125
Engineering	119
Business	56
Law	22
	400

Those just beginning their freshman year, will attend summer school, so as to begin sophomore in the fall. Approximately 93% of the new students are veterans. Of these, 27 attended Santa Clara before the war.

Clarence C. Coolidge, Dean Emeritus of the Law School, and in point of service, oldest member of the Board of Trustees, died Jan. 11 in San Jose.

Charles J. Kelly, senior engineering student, died in O'Connor Sanitarium during the Christmas holidays.

In the new advanced ROTC Course, resumed at the University, upper division students will be able to specialize either in Field Artillery or Air Corps training.

After a lapse of three years, the basketball team inaugurated its return to intercollegiate competition with a decisive victory over USF.

The Sodality, under Fr. Schmidt's direction, is conducting a drive for donations of money and clothing for the Jesuits in Europe.

Feb. 28. The Clay M. Greene Dramatic Society will present "A Bell for Adano."

Fr. Harry Walsh's history of the Mother Lode Country will be ready for sale about mid-February.

Fr. Richard Meagher is studying advanced chemistry at Stanford. Fr. De-ward, also returned from China, is prefect of the second floor of O'Connor Hall.

Fr. John Hayes has been seriously ill with a heart attack.

CHINA

Fr. Paul O'Brien received his appointment as Superior of the California China Mission, on Dec. 21st.

V.R. Fr. Provincial plans to fly to China early in March. He will stay a month, and in April fly back to California. The Provincials are due to meet in New Orleans in May.

Mr. George Wong will go to China at the end of his philosophy. He is to study Chinese.

Feb. 2. At Christ the King, Shanghai, Last Vows of Frs. Klement and Edward Murphy.

Fr. Rouleau sailed from China on the U.S.S. Scott, a large troop transport. He was to have traveled on the President Grant, a freighter. At the last moment he was asked to be chaplain for the Catholic G.I.'s returning on the Scott. He had about a half-hour to get ready, before the ship sailed. Of the 3200 G.I.'s, about 1000 were Catho-

lics. On Xmas Eve there were lots of confessions, and plenty of happiness on Xmas Day. He landed in Seattle, went to Spokane and Yakima.

Fr. Oliger and Fr. Magner arrived on a troop ship at Manila on Jan. 5. They were due in Seattle, Jan. 26, and in San Francisco, Jan. 31.

CHAPLAINS

Chap. Carr had Fr. McMahon for guest on board ship. Chap. Carr was expecting his ship to put back to California.

Chap. Deasy was awaiting his ship for home, when last he wrote. He still hoped that the vessel would touch at Shanghai.

Chap. Lynch was brought from Kobe to Los Angeles, through the kind offices of the Red Cross. His mother is very low and will not last much longer. By rights he would have had to return to Kobe, but military superiors have assigned him to active service at Port McArthur, which is a War Department Separation Center.

Chap. Maginnis' address: Fort Story Hospital, Virginia Beach, Va.

Chap. McMahon has been assigned definite service with the Naval Supply Center, Camp Lee, overseas. He reports that there are 35 priests on Guam for a 120,000 personnel. The priests have a get-together each Sunday. A Xmas Party was provided for 4000 children on Guam. Last year the Protestant ministers had the children all to themselves and did a large amount of proselytizing. This year the Catholic Chaplains prevented a repetition of the plan. Fr. McMahon's group had care of 380 children; he was gaily helped by 250 Marines who made it a day for the children to remember.

Fr. O'Mara has been assigned to El Retiro. He is also to be head of our Mission Band. He will most likely in the summer be given a companion to work with him in giving missions.

VARIA

Some interesting 1945 Ministeria Figures:

	Baptisms		Marriages	
	Babies	Adults	Blessed	Reval.
Phoenix	73	14	22	3
Christ Kg.	61	35	7	18
S. F. Hosp.	27	24
St. Jos.	131	34	56	8
H. Fam.	254	4	92	17
St. Mary's	26	3	5
S. Barb.	168	29	65	12
Bl. Sac.	155	90	115	45

National Jesuit Fund. The JRRF was called into being by the Provincials in May, 1945, at Inisfada. Then the goal was \$800,000. It has since been increased by another \$200,000. The executive committee met in Chicago, Nov. 6-7. Fr. James Maguire (Chi.) is general chairman; Fr. William J. Dunne is California's director. Fr. Hubbard visited Jesuit Provinces in Europe and reported on their tragic condition. Each Province has an assigned quota for the JRRF, and is endeavoring to raise it.

Fr. Leo Martin, Instructor of the Tertians, will give the summer retreat at Los Gatos.

Fr. Gustav Voss will go to Japan, as soon as our government will allow him to set out. He gave the January Renovation Triduum for the Helpers of the Holy Souls, San Francisco.

It is reported that Fr. Peter Dunne's "A Padre Visits South America" has been read in the dining room at Shadowbrook and West Baden.

Mr. Timothy McDonnell expects to receive his M.A. at St. Louis, in the spring. He will go to Alma in the summer for theology.

Mr. Andrew Maginnis will come west for some regency in high school this coming summer.

Mr. Ray Kelley at the Mount was the artist for the two vocation booklets: "The Hands of Christ," and "Faith in Alaska."

The Mexican Provincial is sending a Father to work among the Mexicans of San Jose. Fr. Jose Martinez Cabrera, who speaks English very well, is known by some of our priests.

Fr. Robert A. Graham is in England. He is to report on the London Conference for "America" and the ISO. He will be away several months. He thinks that Boston may be the U. N. headquarters.

Lenten Assignments for Tertians.

Fr. Pat Donohoe, San Francisco.
Fr. Finnegan, San Diego Diocese.
Fr. Harrington, San Jose.
Fr. Walshe Murray, Hollywood.
Fr. Donald O'Gara, San Francisco.
Fr. Pena, Holy Family, San Jose.
Fr. Ryan, Santa Barbara.
Fr. Saussothe, S. F. Hospital.

Fr. Want is very busy in Calexico. He had an encouraging favor done him on the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. A wealthy man from San Diego visited him, and all un-asked promised to provide Father with a much needed car for the work in Calexico. Father thought

it was just an idle offer, but he got the Sisters to pray to Our Lady of Guadalupe, and a 1940 Ford Sedan drove up to the Rectory door.

Fr. Madigan carried out the Bishop's wish to have Xmas Cribs outside the church. No one could steal the figures; with the exception of the Child, they were all living figures. The Blessed Mother sang a lovely "Silent Night" at the Midnight Crib; all the people joining in the song. Then everyone went into the Church for Mass.

Fr. Gruye should have gone to northeast Ohio for Xmas; instead one hour before train time, he was put to bed with the flu.

The Catholic Men of Phoenix, 1000 in number, had general Communion at St. Mary's, and marched in procession to Immaculate Heart Church for breakfast.

We say Mass at the Indian School in Phoenix. As a result one of the Fathers trinitates on Sundays.

Fr. Dragon, Canadian Provincial, en route to China, visited San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Zone Numbers Repeated by Request
Loyola University, Los Angeles 45, Calif.

Loyola High, 1901 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles 6, Calif.

Blessed Sacrament, 6657 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood 28, Calif.

St. Andrew's, 453 S. Cummings St., Los Angeles 33, Calif.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, 1770 Kearney Blvd., San Diego 2, Calif.

Christ the King, 3020 L St., San Diego 2, Calif.

U. S. F., 2130 Fulton St., San Francisco 17, Calif.

Western Jesuit, 821 Market St., San Francisco 3, Calif.

Bellarmino Prep, San Jose 11, Calif.

St. Joseph's, 55 W. San Fernando St., San Jose 21, Calif.

St. Mary's, 556 S. Second St., San Jose 12, Calif.

Holy Family, 361 W. San Fernando St., San Jose 10, Calif.

FR. RICHARD E. GLEESON

1861 —Dec. 24, b. in Philadelphia of Richard Gleeson and Catherine Welsh.

1877 —Oct. 1, admitted by Fr. Varsi.

1877-79—Novice at Santa Clara.

1879-82—Junior at Santa Clara.

1882-83—Teacher, San Francisco.

1883-84—Teacher, Santa Clara.

1884-85—Teacher, Los Gatos.

1885-88—Philosophy, Santa Clara.

1888-91—Teacher, San Francisco.

1891-95—Theology, Woodstock.

1894 —June 25, ordained at Woodstock by James Card. Gibbons.

1895-96—Tship, Florissant.

1896-97—Dean at S. C.; excurrens to Los Gatos Church.

1897 —Feb. 2, Last Vows in San Francisco (Fr. J. P. Frieden).

1897-99—Teacher, Los Gatos.

1899-05—Pastor, St. Joseph's, San Jose.

1905-10—Rector, Santa Clara.

1910-11—Pastor, Santa Barbara.

1911-14—Vice Rector, Los Angeles.

1914-18—California Provincial.

1918-45—Operarius, S. F.

1945 —Dec. 23, d. in S. F. (84-69).

Until about two weeks of his death, Fr. Gleeson had been mentally clear but physically weak. On Dec. 11, he suffered another stroke which left one side paralyzed and made his speech unintelligible. He was anointed again that day. Gradually he recovered to the extent of being able now and then to speak a few words.

In the late afternoon of Dec. 23, the end was near. He was breathing with great difficulty and his temperature was very high. After the evening meal, the Community assembled in the infirmary, and knelt in Father's room and in the corridor for the rosary and the prayers for the dying. Each priest imparted individually the Last Absolution for the dying. Fr. Provincial and Fr. Foote to his great joy were present. About 11:30 the breathing became weaker. The end came between 11:35 and 11:40, so quietly that it is not possible to state the exact minute.

Despite an unusually heavy and sustained rain storm, the attendance at the funeral Mass was impressive. Monsignor (8) and priests (100) filled the sanctuary and overflowed into the first pews of the church. The people and nuns nearly filled the central portion of the body of the church. Fr. O'Sullivan sang the Mass, and Frs. Wm. Dunne and Malaise were deacon and subdeacon. No eulogy was preached; with that attendance in such weather, one of the Monsignori said, none was needed.

DEATHS

Mr. Rober Burns' sister.

Mr. Richard Vachon's mother.

Fr. Walter Schmidt's father.

Fr. Russell Wilson's father.

Fr. Stephan Earley's father.

Fr. Thos. Saunders' aunt.